(a) whether it is a fact that in Assam, Bengalee, Muslim and Nepalese candidates applying for recruitment to the Army are being asked to produce citizenship certificates though other candidates are not required to do so;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether this discrimination will be put to an end to?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) to (c) Contrary to instructions on the subject of recruitment, the Branch Recruiting Office, Narangi in Assam has issued a press note asking for Permanent Resident Certificates from Muslim, Bengali and Gorkha candidates settled in Assam. The reasons for taking such an action, contrary to instructions, are being enquired into. Instructions for taking remedial measures have been issued.

Sri Ram Sagar flood flow channel Project

1120. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh have urged the Central Government to give permission for taking up a detailed investigation of Sri Ram Flood Flow Channel Project designed to provide irrigation facilities to the drought prone areas of Karim Nagar, Warrangal and Nalgonda districts of Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, whether in view of the importance of the project for the people of drought prone areas of Telangana, Central Government propose to accord immediate permission as urged by the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) Permission of Centre for taking up of detailed investigations for irrigation schemes is not required.

Chinese proposals on Kampuchean Issue

1121. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Chinese Government has proposed an all party interim government headed by Prince Norodom Sihanouk as a part of a four point solution to resolve the Kampuchean issue;

(b) if so, what are the details of the Chinese proposal to resolve the Kampuchean issue and what is the reaction of Government of India thereto;

(c) whether India has any proposal of its own in consultation with the Kampuchean Government;

(d) whether India is in touch with the Kampuchean Government on this issue; and

(e) if so, what is the reaction of the Government of Kampuchea?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of Chinese proposal are as follows:

(i) The key to the settlement of the Kampuchean question is the complete Vietnamese troop withdrawal from Kampuchea at the earliest. Vietnam should produce a time-table acceptable to all concerned parties for the troop withdrawal at the earliest, and an agreement should be reached on such a basis.

(ii) China favours the establishment of a provisional Quadripartite Coalition Government in Kampuchea, with Prince Sihanouk in charge while Vietnam withdrawn its troops from Kam-